

## CITY OF DUBLIN

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## PRESS RELEASE

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SUBJECT: Officer Involved Shooting (Updated 05/05/2014 at 2:00 P.M.)

Dublin Police Services responded to a domestic disturbance call in the 7000 block of Dublin Meadows St. on Sunday, May 4, 2014, about 6:17 P.M. Upon arrival at the residence, the Dublin Police officers were met at the front door by a male subject holding a baseball bat. A Dublin Police Officer drew his firearm and Oscar Herrera (DOB: 12/23/1995) immediately hit the Dublin Police Officer with the metal baseball bat. The bat hit the Officer on his right hand which was holding his firearm. Herrera then raised the baseball bat over his head in a motion which would direct the bat at the Officer's head. The Officer felt his life was in immediate danger and fired four rounds striking the suspect and stopping the threat to his life. Alameda County Fire and Paramedics Plus responded to the scene; however, the suspect succumbed to his injuries.

In the investigation and interviews conducted through the night, Dublin Police was able to learn what had happened prior to the Dublin Police's arrival. A family member called a friend and the friend called the Dublin Police and said that Oscar Herrera was being physical with his mother, had pushed her, and possibly confrontational due to him going through detox. The friend was not at the apartment and provided the address to Dublin Police.

In addition, Dublin Police learned that on Saturday, May 3, 2014, the Livermore Police Department was called to an incident where Herrera was using methamphetamine and had attacked a friend and was threatening to eat him. Livermore Police arrived and contacted Herrera who was covered in blood and immediately began fighting with the Livermore Police. Livermore Police had to use their Taser to gain control of Herrera, who was then transported to a local hospital for treatment. On Sunday morning, May 4, 2014, Herrera called his mother and asked her to pick him up at the hospital because he had decided to leave against the medical advice of the doctor who was treating him.

Herrera had a criminal history for possession of weapons, assaults, resisting arrest, and possession of drugs.

Interviews with witnesses at the scene were consistent with the suspect attacking the officer with a baseball bat at the threshold into the residence.

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